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OFFICE - ATTENTION: SHEILA SOMBERG

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E.O. 12356: N/A
TAGS: SHUM, AR, SW
SUBJ: CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY RE DAGMAR HAGELIN

DEAR CONGRESSMAN ECKART:

THIS IS IN REPLY TO YOUR LETTER OF NOVEMBER 3 ON BEHALF
OF [REDACTED] CONCERNING THE DISAPPEARANCE IN
ARGENTINA OF MS. DAGMAR HAGELIN, A SWEDISH-ARGENTINE
NATIONAL.

THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE HAS, ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS, WRITTEN
DIRECTLY TO [REDACTED] IN RESPONSE TO HIS INQUIRIES AS TO
MS. HAGELIN'S WHEREABOUTS. THE ARGENTINE GOVERNMENT IS
AWARE OF BOTH U.S. AND SWEDISH INTEREST IN THIS CASE.
THE U.S. HAS MADE REPEATED INQUIRIES AS TO MS. HAGELIN'S
WHEREABOUTS SINCE HER DISAPPEARANCE IN 1977. ON EACH
OCCASION THE ARGENTINE GOVERNMENT HAS INFORMED US THAT
IT HAS NO INFORMATION REGARDING HER DETENTION OR WHERE-
ABOUTS.

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ON RECEIPT OF YOUR LETTER, WE CONTACTED THE SWEDISH

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EMBASSY AND WERE TOLD THAT DESPITE REPEATED REQUESTS OF THE SWEDISH GOVERNMENT, THE ARGENTINE GOVERNMENT CONTINUES TO SAY THAT IT HAS NO INFORMATION ABOUT MS. HAGELIN'S WHEREABOUTS.

ON THE GENERAL QUESTION OF THE "DISAPPEARED," THIS ISSUE REMAINS ONE OF THE MOST CONTROVERSIAL ISSUES IN ARGENTINA. THE NEWLY-ELECTED CIVILIAN GOVERNMENT, WHICH WILL TAKE OFFICE IN DECEMBER, AND THE ARGENTINE JUDICIAL SYSTEM ARE LIKELY TO ADDRESS THIS ISSUE IN DETAIL.

SINCERELY,
JOHN A. BUSHNELL
CHARGE D'AFFAIRES AD INTERIM
AMERICAN EMBASSY
BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA

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